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In re application of: Busche et al.

Serial No.: 09/400,583

Filed: September 22, 1999

For: Method and System for

Integrating Spatial Analysis and Data

Mining Analysis to Ascertain

Favorable Positioning of Products in a

Retail Environment

Group Art Unit: 3622

Examiner: Melanie Kemper

Attorney Docket No.: CR9-99-049

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